Lebanon Board of Park Commissioners

Minutes

September 7th, 2022

Call to Order

President Laurie Gross called meeting to order.

Roll Call

All members present except Member Karen Galvin.

Minutes

President Gross requested motion to approve August's minutes. Member John Lasley made a motion to approve; Member Shirley McClaine seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

Director John Messenger updates the board about our ongoing projects.

The playground no-fault surface installation went well. The fall test was completed and passed, exceeding requirements and safety standards. Fencing will be installed September 19th and 20th.

We will be moving forward on projects funded by the American Rescue Plan. This includes monies that were approved last fall by the city council for a restroom at the trailhead and the fishing pier at the Conservation Club. Deb Schmucker will be working on the pier project, and I will work on selecting a firm to work on a trailhead restroom.

New Business

None Discussed.

Director's Report

Director Messenger updates the Board on what's going on in each park, office work, and maintenance.

Seashore Waterpark is now closed or the season. We had an outstanding 2022 Summer Season, and we look forward to next year! This weekend will be the last open weekend for the Splash Pad. With the cooler temps approaching, we have decided the last day will be September 11th.

I am happy to announce that Jonathan Lewellin has accepted our open maintenance position. Jonathan is a Lebanon resident and graduated from Lebanon High School.

We are applying a weed control on all properties in preparation for core aeration/slit seeding and overseeding later this month. Still improving the conservation brush and clearing property. Most trip hazards, stumps, etc. have been removed.

We have replaced and upgraded several cameras throughout the parks. These were purchased last fall and have finally been received.

Maintenance has removed trees that are in bad shape, as well as cleaning up trees that could be hazardous. We have over 12 memorials we will be planting soon.

The pool is being winterized and making repairs as needed. We are planning to have both pool vessels painted in the spring of '23. We are also looking into different flooring options for the splash pad surface.

We have locked in a carnival for next 4th of July – Huesman Amusement Company. We are currently reviewing the contract and hope to have everything signed soon.

Programs and Events

Our 2022 Daddy Daughter Dance was a success! We saw around 250 dads and daughters and they enjoyed a night of dancing, dinner, hayrides, and a fun photo booth. The dance was once again held on our Seashore Waterpark pool deck and was a western theme. We look forward to next year!

Our Fall Pickleball League is now under way. We ended up with 8 teams in the Co-Ed division and 5 teams in the Women's Division.

Battle of the BBQ had a huge turnout! They raised around \$89,000 towards the Boone County Cancer Society. You're Not Alone also hosted their 5k and had 194 participants!

Colonial Market Days will take place September 16th – 18th at Abner Longley Park.

Lincoln's Lebanon and Civil War Reenactment will take place September 24th & 25th in Memorial Park

Lebanon Youth Football is still in full swing. The field is getting a ton of use and their numbers have been great this year.

Lebanon Youth Soccer has started their season at Reese Park. They noted their registration doubled from this year compared to last!

Consideration of Claims

President Gross requested motion to approve the claims; Vice President Diane Scott made a motion to approve the claims; Member Lasley seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

President Gross requested a motion to adjourn meeting Member McClaine made a motion to adjourn; Member Lasley seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Taylor Orr

Office Manager